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REPORT OF THE SECRETARY OF THE AMERICAN POLITICAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATION FOR THE YEAR 1911

The Eighth Annual Meeting of the Association was held at Buffalo, New York, and Toronto, Ontario, December 27–30, 1911. In Buffalo the headquarters of the Association were the Hotel Statler. In Toronto the one session was held at the University of Toronto.

The opening meeting was held jointly with the American Historical Association and was devoted to the presidential addresses of the two Associations and to the speech of welcome delivered by Mr. Henry W. Hill, President of the Buffalo Historical Society. The address of Governor Simeon E. Baldwin, President of the American Political Science Association, was entitled "The Progressive Unfolding of the Powers of the United States," and is published in the February, 1912, issue of the *Review*.

At the Annual Business Meeting of the Association, held December 29, the Secretary reported a continued increase in the membership of the Association, the total enrollment then approximating sixteen hundred.

The treasurer reported that the receipts for the current year had exceeded the expenditures by approximately $400, this surplus being applied in payment of a debt of $800 of the Association.

The following Resolutions and Actions taken by the Executive Council of the Association were reported by the Secretary.

The Managing Editor of the *Review* was authorized to increase the number of pages of each issue of the *Review* to 176.

It was voted that in the future the Proceedings of the Association be published as a Supplement to the *Review* and issued, if possible, with the February number, but that provision be made for supplying copies bound uniformly with previous volumes to members of the Association so requesting and paying the extra cost. Such cost, it was announced, would not exceed 40 or 50 cents per copy.

The question of increasing the annual dues of the Association had been seriously discussed, but the matter had been laid upon the table.

It was voted that the next Annual Meeting of the Executive Council and Board of Editors, of November, 1912, should be held in Chicago.

The question as to whether the Constitution should be amended so as to make Ex-Presidents of the Association *ex-officio* members of the Council, was laid upon the table.

The Secretary was instructed to have prepared gavels for the use of the Presidents of the Association at its Annual Meetings, such gavels to become the property of the several Presidents.

It was voted that no person should occupy at the same time the position of elected Councilman and member of the Board of Editors of the *Review*.

It was voted that a General Committee be established, the members of which should be selected, as far as possible, from the several States of the United States and the District of Columbia and the several Provinces of the Dominion of Canada.

It was voted that a Committee on Appointments be established, to consist of the Secretary of the Association as Chairman and two other members of the Association

to be named by the President, whose duty it should be to appoint such Special and Standing Committees and Boards as may from time to time be created by the Council. The President thereupon appointed upon such Committee, in addition to the Chairman, Professors B. F. Shambaugh and A. R. Hatton. This Committee was also specially authorized to appoint such Special Committees as it might deem proper to investigate subjects and report upon the same to the Council for such action thereupon as it might think fit.

It was voted that a Committee of Seven Members be appointed to consider the methods of teaching and studying governments now pursued in American schools, colleges and universities and to suggest means of enlarging and improving such instruction.

It was voted that a Commission of Five Members be appointed to study existing State Constitutions, and draw up, so far as may seem profitable, standard constitutional provisions which may serve as aids to the States in undertaking a revision of their several instruments of government.

It was voted that the Council authorize the President of each year to appoint a Programme Committee of not more than five members to prepare the programme for the session at which he is to preside, the Secretary of the Association to be a member of the Committee.

It was voted that the Council authorize the President of each year to appoint a Committee on Local Arrangements for the session at which he is to preside and to co-operate with sister societies meeting at the same times and places.

It was voted that a sum, not to exceed $250, be appropriated in part payment of the traveling expenses of members of the Council and of the Board of Editors of the *Review* attending the November meeting in 1912, each member to be allotted the same percentage of his railroad fares and necessary Pullmans in excess of $10.

It was voted that the Council appropriate $100, or as much thereof as may be found necessary, for the year 1912, for the postage and necessary clerical expenses of the General Committee.

It was voted that if the resources of the Association permit, $25 be appropriated for clerical and postage expenses of the Committee on State Constitutions.

It was voted that the 1912 Meeting of the Association be held at Boston, Massachusetts during the last week of December. It was also voted that, if possible, the session for 1913 be held at the same time and place as the American Economic Association.

Professors Jesse Reeves and A. R. Hatton were elected as members of the Board of Editors to fill the places of Professors C. E. Merriam and John H. Latané, retiring.

The following Officers of the Association for the year 1912 were elected.

President, Albert Bushnell Hart,
First Vice-President, Adam Shortt,
Second Vice-President, Ernst Freund,
Third Vice-President, Francis J. Swayze,
Secretary and Treasurer, W. W. Willoughby.

As members of the Executive Council, to serve until December 31, 1914, the following were elected.

Charles A. Beard,
Herbert Croly,
J. Allen Smith.
J. Q. Dealey,
W. A. Schaper,